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Dear Sammie,

We haven't moved. They've renumbered the rural routes.

I'm getting close to where I'll need the cover for POST MORTEM. Very close and the need for it is urgent. I mean the book itself, with all the crazies are up to, with the possibilities of Congressional use, and the current disinformation efforts of which you have no knowledge.

Because of these factors requiring speed I think maybe it is best to stick to the standard cover. I've not had a chance to take the art work back from Jim Lesar so it is readily available. I travelled by bus that day and didn't want to carry it and what else I had by bus.

I'm sorry we have not had a chance to discuss the cover and the title itself. I've sort of shifted to Whitewash V but those I've talked with discourage. So, it will, I think, be Post Mortem, with a subtitle and the kinds of extra lines you work in so well conveying the rest. If I can make a copy of one of the new documents that we talked about using as an overlay I'll enclose it on the chance it suggests anything practical to you.

This time the book will be much thicker. I won't know exactly until the time we need the cover so I hope you can, when you do it, do it in such a way that the printer can allow the right space for the spine or the back. It will run over an inch. It will also run close to twice the weight of the previous heaviest one. It will be 660 or 672 pp on 45lb stock as it now looks.

If you can call Mehrle Delancy, who now has his own small print shop somewhere in the DC area, he would know if there is a DC area printer with a Cameron belt press. I may still be able to get a better arrangement that way. I've just heard from one from whom I expected an estimate. Long story but he declined. Subject. Owned by the one who broke the deal Manny made for me on Whitewash in 1966. Fear of government, with which he does most of his work.

I don't know what is left in colors except purple or green. Here again I'll do what you recommend.

I'll be having to borrow for this so please give me an idea of what you'll want so this time I can begin by paying you. I hate to consider adding to my debt but I do see the need and feel the obligation. There will not be any help from those of means, as there never has been. This time I can't let Jim do the borrowing.

The book has an enormous appendix that will stand by itself and is truly sensational. You have read only the early portions of the book. It can hardly be more definitive nor can the documents be. This includes what I obtained by litigation that those who were able to steal it never understood and still don't. It amounts to a separate, self-standing series of indictments. Were it not as powerful as it is I'd not dream of increasing my indebtedness at my age and with no regular income. I also know the chances against commercial distribution are great. We got none on WW IV but bookstores do write for it.

So, please think and if you can have a rough idea in mind for when I can get down there because there will be more time pressure this time. As of now it will take a month to print and the need is now, as I'll explain. A prospect for use that never existed before. Also, I think you will find a new area of content that crosses into areas of your interests. They are relevant, these items.

With a different title but similar format, if you prefer Post Mortem in large type rather than hand-lettered, use your own judgement. The page size is the same. I do also plan other books and when we can I'd like to learn from you the changes I need to use the same sheets I have and wind up with a larger type size. We did this originally for 7x10. I can rule the pages we had printed and use them as is. Meaning I can add a new blue line on two sides. Best to you all,

Sincerely,